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### Auburn University Jonathan B. Lovelace Athletic Museum and Hall of Honor

Athletic Complex at the corner of Donahue and  
Samford avenues on the campus of Auburn University

334-844-0764 / [lmuseum@auburn.edu](mailto:lmuseum@auburn.edu)

[www.auburn.edu/athletics/museum.html](http://www.auburn.edu/athletics/museum.html)

Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Football Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Football Sundays, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

No admission charge

The museum is dedicated to honor Auburn's athletic past.

Documenting all of the intercollegiate sports played  
by Auburn men and women down through the years,  
the museum shows people how athletic programs have  
contributed to Auburn's historical traditions.

### Lee County Historical Society Museum

6500 Stage Road, Loachapoka

334-887-3007

By appointment only

No admission charge but donations accepted.

This 1845 Trade Center (stucco and plaster building)  
houses vintage clothing, quilts, old toys and furniture.  
There is a furnished log cabin, blacksmith shop, Indian  
teepee and farm tool display. Large groups accepted.

### Mann Museum and Outdoors

Exit 58 off Interstate 85, Opelika

334-741-7776 or 1-877-264-2327

[www.mannmuseum.com](http://www.mannmuseum.com)

[mannmuseum@mindspring.com](mailto:mannmuseum@mindspring.com)

Monday - Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Admission charged

This 35,000 square foot museum and outdoor animal  
sanctuary/nature trail shows over 250 life-size displays  
of North American animals, fish and fowl from  
polar bears to possum! Professionally presented  
in natural habitat settings.

## Kiesel Park

Chadwick Lane, Lee County Road 51

334-887-4930

[www.auburnalabama.org](http://www.auburnalabama.org) / [jbuntin@auburnalabama.org](mailto:jbuntin@auburnalabama.org)

Seven days a week, closes at sundown

No admission charge

This park offers a walk and bike trail, two ponds and a large pavilion for picnics and other events.

*~ Coming Soon! ~*

## Jule Collins Smith Museum of Art

[jcsma@auburn.edu](mailto:jcsma@auburn.edu)

Will be home for Auburn University's permanent collection of American and European art. Will include eight exhibition galleries, a gift shop, a restaurant, an auditorium and a series of formal gardens that incorporate sculpture and water features. Collections include Georgia O'Keefe and John James Audobon prints. Will host traveling exhibitions, lecturers and other special events.

*~ Also look for! ~*

## Agricultural Heritage Park

The Red Barn, Dairy Barn and silos across from the athletic complex will be restored to working order with an addition of an amphitheater and pavilion to provoke agricultural learning that displays the area's history.

*~ Close by: ~*

## Horseshoe Bend National Military Park

256-234-7111 or 205-234-3582

## Tuskegee National Forest

334-727-0295

## The George Washington Carver Museum

334-727-3200 or 334-727-6390

## Museum of East Alabama

121 S. Ninth St., Opelika

334-749-2751

[www.eastalabama.org](http://www.eastalabama.org) / [Peter@eastalabama.org](mailto:Peter@eastalabama.org)

Tuesday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Saturday, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

No admission charge

The museum tells the story of the area's history and growth through exhibits of more than 3,000 artifacts. Special areas of interest are the doll collection, history of industrial technology, WWI & WWII, Civil War, pioneer household goods and musical instruments.

## Exhibit Facilities

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### Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center

222 E. Drake Ave., Auburn

334-887-4938

[www.auburnalabama.org/arts](http://www.auburnalabama.org/arts) / [ahall@auburnalabama.org](mailto:ahall@auburnalabama.org)

Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday by appointment only

No admission charge

The arts center provides area residents with access to an outstanding, active schedule of exhibitions, musical concerts, lectures, art classes and special events for children and adults throughout the year.

### Opelika Arts Association Gallery

200 S. Sixth St., Opelika

334-749-8105

[preston.oaa@mindspring.com](mailto:preston.oaa@mindspring.com)

Hours vary

No admission charge

Exhibits include selections from the Opelika Arts Association permanent collection and works of regional artists on a rotating basis through the year.





## Nature-Based Attractions

### Chewacla State Park

124 Shell Toomer Parkway, Auburn  
334-887-5621 or 1-800-ALA-PARK

[chwaclastpk@mindspring.com](mailto:chwaclastpk@mindspring.com)

Seven days a week, 8:00 a.m. - sundown

Admission charged

A great place for a picnic, a day of activities or an overnight stay in one of 36 camp sites or 5 cabins. Miles of nature trails for hiking and biking follow the creeks and hills of this 696-acre park. A 26-acre lake for swimming, fishing and boating as well as tennis courts, playground, a beautiful waterfall, picnic areas and group camp area.

### Davis Arboretum

Garden Drive and Mell Street, Auburn University  
334-844-5770

[rushrob@mail.auburn.edu](mailto:rushrob@mail.auburn.edu)

Open daylight until dark

Thirteen acres that focus on woody trees and shrubs of the Southeastern United States. A guide map for labeled trees is available at the pavilion.

### Forest Ecology Preserve

3100 Alabama Highway 147 (beyond fish ponds)

334-502-4553 or 334-887-6297

[www.forestry.auburn.edu/eco-site](http://www.forestry.auburn.edu/eco-site)

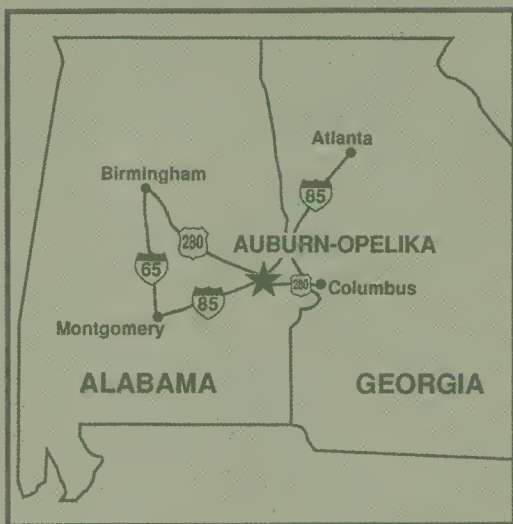
[turnelo@mindspring.com](mailto:turnelo@mindspring.com)

By appointment or special Saturday programs

No admission charge

This 110-acre educational facility offers 11 focal areas for observation and study. The Canopy amphitheater, which seats 300, is next to the restrooms and handicap trail. Focal areas include the Wetlands, Butterfly garden, GPS trail, fern trail, reptile trail and wildlife trail. Also used as an orienteering course.





For more information on the  
Auburn / Opelika area, contact:  
Auburn / Opelika Convention  
and Visitors Bureau  
1-800-321-8880  
[www.auburn-opelika.com](http://www.auburn-opelika.com)

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